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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Docket No. ASA-0015
Application No. 10/645,948-Conf. #8249	Filing Date August 22, 2003	Examiner W. P. Fletcher III	Art Unit 1762

Applicant(s): Tsuyoshi Nakashima et al.

Invention: METHOD OF FORMING COAT ON INNER SURFACE OF BEARING AND APPARATUS FOR THE SAME

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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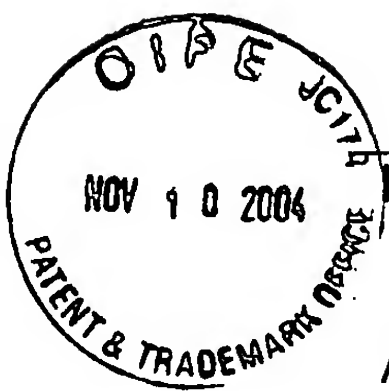
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

and

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-18 and 21-26 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 19 and 20 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, claim 18 is amended and claims 21-26 are added.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)